

Preventable Canine Diseases



Disease:

Vaccination Schedule:

Distemper, Hepatitis, Parvo

(Combination Vaccination)

Vaccination begins between 6 and 8 weeks of age.

Booster twice at 3 week intervals, again at 1 year of age and then every 3 years.

Leptospirosis

Must be at least 12 weeks of age to begin series.

Booster in 3 weeks, then once a year. May be given in combination with Distemper vaccine.

Rabies

Must be at least 12 weeks of age. Booster at 1 year and then every 2 years.

Bordetella (Kennel Cough)

May begin as early as 6 weeks of age. Booster if given the injectable type 3 weeks later and then annually. Intranasal vaccine requires no additional boosters until 1 year of age and then annually.

We recommend boosting every 6-9 months if your pet is at a higher risk.

Lymes

Must be at least 12 weeks of age. Booster in 3 weeks and then annually.

Distemper

Canine distemper is a highly contagious viral disease that can occur at any age, although puppies are more susceptible. More than 50% of dogs that contract distemper will die from it, and recovered dogs may be left with uncontrollable muscle spasms and convulsions. It may affect the respiratory, gastrointestinal, and neurologic systems. It is generally spread through contact with mucous and watery secretions discharged from the eyes and nose of infected dogs. However, distemper may also be spread by contact with urine and other bodily fluids, meaning a dog does not need direct contact to become infected.

Infectious Canine Hepatitis (Canine Adenovirus 1 and 2 or CAV1 and 2)

Hepatitis in dogs is a very serious and contagious viral disease that can affect the liver, kidneys, lymph nodes, eyes, and other organs. Although most adult dogs recover, it is often fatal in puppies. Hepatitis is not contagious to humans. It is transmitted through direct contact with an infectious dog or its bodily fluids.